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Mandatory Open Enrollment

Everyone MUST Complete Forms for Health Insurance

Open Enrollment for the Kentucky Employees' Health Plan (KEHP) is an active, mandatory enrollment for the 2014 plan year.

The Personnel Cabinet has scheduled 17 health insurance Benefit Fairs throughout the state from Oct. 1 – 18, 2013. Click here for a list of locations.

At the Benefit Fairs, employees will be able to meet with representatives of Humana, HumanaVitality, Express Scripts and the Personnel Cabinet's Department of Employee Insurance among others. Employees may request up to two hours leave to attend a Benefit Fair.

Online enrollment is available Oct. 1–31. **Everyone** must elect a new health insurance plan option or waive coverage. Anyone who does not make an election or waive coverage by Oct. 31, will be automatically enrolled in the Standard CDHP, single coverage level plan option.

To ensure a smooth online enrollment session, KEHP has designated online enrollment dates for you. If the dates listed are inconvenient for your schedule, please be sure to enroll any date from Oct. 1-31.

First Letter of Last Name	Designated Enrollment Dates
A-F	October 1 – 10
G-N	October 11 - 20
O-Z	October 21 - 30

Visit https://personnel.ky.gov/Pages/2014PlanYear.aspx for more information.
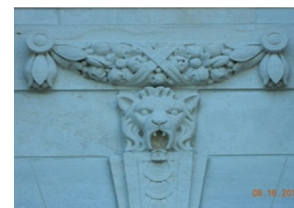
KY Leads Nation in Energy Management System; DFSS Receives Awards
Reduced emissions, reduced energy consumption

The Commonwealth Energy Management Control System (CEMCS) recently received two awards and recognition. The National Association of State Chief Administrators featured CEMCS as a case study at its leadership conference in Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 15-17. The Association of Energy Engineers chose CEMCS as the 2013 National Project of the Year and presented the award at the 2013 World Energy Engineering Congress in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 25.

CEMCS is an enterprise software system designed to monitor, analyze, control, and optimize energy utilization. Since being piloted in 2011 in 43 state buildings at 23 sites across the Commonwealth, CEMCS has saved approximately $2.85 million for the state. An additional 11 buildings, representing 1.5 million additional square feet of space, were added to the system in early 2013.

Kentucky is the only state to have such a system and is poised to expand its reach to more state-owned facilities over the next biennium.

"The data analysis capabilities and the savings we are already seeing with CEMCS are truly amazing," said Gov. Steve Beshear. "This initiative demonstrates how state government can be a leader in energy management. We are honored and excited to be recognized by these and other organizations for the work our folks in the Department for Facilities and Support Services have done over the last several years."

CEMCS gives the Finance Cabinet a complete understanding of the energy consumed in CEMCS-enabled state-owned facilities – every minute of every day. Taxpayers can see in real-time, month-to-month savings the Commonwealth achieves via the online tracking dashboard at www.kyenergydashboard.ky.gov.

"The planning, design and development of CEMCS has been a journey through the unknown at times," said Finance and Administration Cabinet Secretary Lori H. Flanery. "We were blazing a trail with Kentucky being the first state to try to implement this type of initiative. I am proud of the innovative thinking our staff has embraced and championed."

There are more than 7,000 publicly-owned or leased facilities," said Gov. Beshear. "As this includes K-12 school buildings, higher education facilities, courthouses and more, the opportunity for the Commonwealth to realize energy savings is huge. Our goal is to continue this positive trend in reducing emissions and lowering utility bills throughout state government and beyond."

CEMCS is an outgrowth of Gov. Beshear's 2008 Intelligent Energy Choices for Kentucky's Future report that identified the need for Kentucky to reduce its energy consumption and increase its energy efficiency.

Also, as part of his Smart Government Initiative, Gov. Beshear signed a 2008 executive order requiring the Commonwealth reduce its energy consumption 15 percent by 2015 and 25 percent by 2025. Following shortly thereafter, House Bill 2 required the Finance Cabinet to report utility consumption for all Commonwealth-owned and leased facilities.

Private industry partners were key in moving this project forward. NORESCO was the general contractor for the project, which included two subcontractors. Interval Data Systems developed the software and InnerSpace provided building automation integration and equipment.

KECC Photo Scavenger Hunt— Week 4 Challenge
Pictures from Frankfort area state-owned/leased properties

This is a photo of what in Frankfort?
Send your answer to Robin Morley at robin.morley@ky.gov

Week 4 winner announced Oct. 3 in Current FACts.

Photo by Tim Depenbrock, Landscape Branch

Blood Drive for American Red Cross Sept. 27

The Kentucky Safety Program and Personnel Cabinet are sponsoring the American Red Cross (ARC) blood drive in the State Office Building auditorium on **Friday, Sept. 27, 2013**, from **8 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Schedule appointments online at www.redcrossblood.org.

The sponsor code for this drive is 0245636. Priority will be given to those with scheduled appointments. All donors will receive a $5 Subway gift card from ARC. Click here for details.

CONGRATULATIONS!

To **Lisa Brewer** (COT) for winning the $100 Visa Gift Card for submitting her completed pledge form by COB Sept. 20. Thank you for your pledge!

Gov. Beshear proclaims Sept. 30—Oct. 4, 2013

KENTUCKY GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS CONFERENCE 20TH ANNIVERSARY WEEK

Conference details at: http://kampro.org/ky-gis-conference/